# Hunt's Catch-Up

#### R. B. HUNT ELEMENTARY

## From the Principal's Desk:

Dear R. B. Hunt Family,

"Welcome Back" to our returning students and their families and a warm "Hunt Welcome" to our many new students. A big thank you to all the parents who had their children here on time and ready to learn. Getting back in the swing of school can be a challenge and we appreciate you making school a priority.

Over the summer, we learned that R. B. Hunt had earned an "A" grade for academic achievement. This was accomplished through the hard work of our students and staff and the fantastic support of our families. Great Job!

We would like to introduce the newest members of the Hunt faculty and staff:

Assistant Principal- Marci Knight 4<sup>th</sup> grade- Martha DeVane and Elizabeth Lang School Psychologist- Lauren Hicks Occupational Therapist- Susan Wadsworth Student Support- Kathleen King and Lila Sleeper Custodial Staff- David Turlington

We have had a very smooth opening to the 2014-2015 school year. We begin the year with 663 students, including 112 kindergarteners. A special thank you to our P.T.A.O. Board for providing a reception for our new kindergarten parents during staggered start. Thanks to Susan Connor, Heather Mowrey, Rebecca Romaine, Melinda Conlin for speaking to our Kindergarten parents about P.T.A.O. and to Shari Johnson for making sure we had wonderful, homemade refreshments.

We are looking forward to a great school year with your children. If we can assist in any way, please don't hesitate to contact us!

Sincerely,

Amanda S. Garman

## R. B. Hunt is seeking Business Partners.

Local businesses are invited to become "Partners in Education" with R. B. Hunt! Levels range from \$100 - \$2,500 with a variety of marketing opportunities available. **Deadline to join is Friday, September 5** to have signage displayed during our Fall Open House nights in September. Contact Aubrey Mulligan (904.687.7694 or huntbusinesspartners@gmail.com) to become a member of this group of local business leaders supporting programs at R. B. Hunt.



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<u>Important Dates</u>	
Early Release Every Wednesday	1:50
Volunteer Breakfast	Aug. 28 8:30am <b>RSVP by</b> <b>Aug. 26</b>
Summer Reading Ice Cream Party	Aug. 29
Labor Day No School	Sept. 1
PTAO Kick-off Meeting	Sept. 3 6:00pm
SAC Meeting	Sept. 16 3:15pm
Fall Book Fair Family Day	Nov. 2 2:00 - 5:00
Please turn in your summer	
reading log by August 27th!	
The Summer Read	
ing Ice Cream Part	y ferring
will be Friday,	A
August 29th.	
R. B. Hunt Spirit Day	
T-shirts are here!	
Every Friday is Red & White	
Spirit Day at R. B. Hunt. Stu-	
dents are asked to wear red	

and white shirts to show their Islander Pride! We also have a friendly competition in each grade level, so wear your Red & White!

Islander T-shirts are available for sale in the office.

# \$12.00

Cash (exact change, please) Check (payable to RBH PTAO)

#### Lighthouse Café: August 25 - August 29

#### Breakfast is served daily 8:00 until 8:25.

**Monday-** Entrée: Homestyle Mac & Cheese or BBQ Chicken Max Snax, broccoli, green beans, applesause, apples, a variety of milk. **Tuesday-**Entrée: Mini Corn Dogs or Mini Cheese Ravioli, spinach/romaine salad, corn, mixed fruit, breadstick, and a variety of milk. **Wednesday-**Entrée: Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza or Fajita Chicken Salad, carrot & cucumber dippers with dunk cup, sweet peas, fresh apple slices, breadstick, and a variety of milk. *Al la carte: We will not be serving pizza this week*.

**Thursday**-Entrée: Hamburger or Homestyle Chicken Sandwich, roasted potato wedges, baked beans, pears, and a variety of milk. **Friday**- Entrée: Chicken Nuggets or Hot Dog, cherry tomato & celery dippers, sweet potato puffs, roll, 100% juice and a variety of milk.

# Read me, please!

Welcome to another great year under the lighthouse!

The Hunt's Catch-up comes home in your student's Red Folder every Friday. Please take the time to read both sides of every Hunt's Catch-up.

This is your most up-to-date resource for event dates and registration deadlines. If you need to know something, you will find it here.

Please also let me know if you are hosting any community events that would be good for the students and families of R. B. Hunt. I appreciate the help. Have a great year!

Mrs. Parkey

## **Business Partner News**

**Coastal Foot & Ankle Wellness Center** and **Southeast Farms, Inc.** return this year as our *Principal's List Donors.* We thank them for their continued support of the great things happening here at R. B. Hunt!



## Volunteer Breakfast

If you were a volunteer last year, or you would like to volunteer this year, please join us as we celebrate your hard work and brilliant ideas. This will be a great time to hear about upcoming events and opportunities for you to share your talents with R. B. Hunt students and teachers.

Please RSVP for the breakfast to Jo Ellen Parkey, 540-7960 or jo.parkey@stjohns.k12.fl.us.

## Sending Money to School.

Money is sent to school for many different reasons: lunch money, recorders, Extended Day fees, field trips, PTAO events, after school enrichments, etc. Very often you will be sending in money for more than one thing on the same day.

Some guidelines for sending money to school:

- 1. Send the money in an envelope/baggie.
- 2. Each reason gets its own envelope/baggie.
- 3. Only send the exact amount for each reason.
- 4. On each envelope/baggie, please write:
  - first and last name
  - teacher name
  - what the money is for

We do not have a cash register or cash box from which to make change. For this reason, we cannot return change to you, neither can we split up a \$20 bill among many different items.

If you send a check (which, for your record keeping is a great idea) please include student and teacher names and purpose on memo line. Thank you!

# SAC

August 28th, 8:30am

School Advisory Council September 16 @ 3:15

The School Advisory Council is made up of Mrs. Garman and a group of dedicated teachers, parents, support staff and community members. The SAC is responsible for decisions relating to the implementation of the annual School Improvement Plan.

If you are willing to give of your time and have an interest in being a part of the ongoing improvement of our school, please join us at our first meeting of the year.

# Thank you, Mrs. Johnson!

We thank Shari Johnson for everything she did to make the Kindergarten parents feel welcome and appreciated this week.

Mrs. Johnson, you are amazing!

### News from the PTAO

The 2014-15 Membership Drive is in full swing! Many thanks to the families who have already joined and congratulations to the Hall family, winners of the concert tickets and basket during last Friday's drawing. New this year, we have three levels of membership; please see info in today's red folder. Memberships purchased through **Friday, September 5th** will count toward the Class Membership Drive Contest. The class with the highest participation as of that date will win a special party!

Thank you to parents, students, faculty and staff for an amazingly smooth first week of school!